

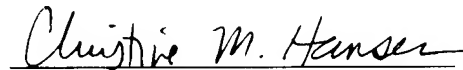
REMARKS

Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, invention (A), which is directed to SEQ ID NO:1, a sequence encoding SEQ ID NO:2 (claims 13-22, and 24). Non-elected claims 23 and 25 are canceled without prejudice. Applicants currently amend claims 13, 16-17, 19-20, 22, and 24. Support for the amendments is found in the original claims. No new matter is added. Claim 18 is canceled because similar subject matter is now in amended claim 13.

Applicants believe that no fee is required for the filing of this paper. The shortened statutory period for reply was set to expire May 19, 2003 (May 17 being a Saturday). However, should additional fees be required for the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the required fees to Deposit Account No. 03-2775.

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